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FEMA Grants \$456,307 to Stockbridge-Munsee Community

Hazard mitigation funds will be used to build a community safe room and purchase seven generators

CHICAGO – The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has released \$456,307 in Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) funds to the Stockbridge-Munsee Community in Wisconsin, for the construction of a community safe room and the purchase of seven emergency generators.

"The Pre-Disaster Mitigation program enables communities to implement critical mitigation measures to reduce or eliminate the risk of loss of life and property," said Janet M. Odeshoo, acting regional administrator, FEMA Region V. "The construction of this community safe room will protect the lives of vulnerable citizens by providing a secure location to seek shelter from tornadoes and other high-wind events. The seven generators will be permanently installed at critical facilities throughout the tribal reservation, ensuring that essential operations can continue during power outages."

PDM provides grants to state, local and tribal governments to implement long-term hazard mitigation measures. Through PDM, FEMA will pay 90 percent of the \$507,008 eligible project cost. The remaining 10 percent of the funds, \$50,701, will be provided by the Stockbridge-Munsee Community.

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